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*Falmouth, Febr. 15.*

**T**He 13 instant put in here the *Orange Tree* of *Middleburg* from *Surinam*, from whence she came in 11 weeks: The Master reports, that when he left that Colony, there was a very great sickness among the Inhabitants, and that many dyed, so that Sugars and other Commodities would be very scarce there this year. Here are in Port several Vessels bound for *France*, who will put to Sea with the first fair Wind:

*Mosco, Decemb. 28.* This Court is at present in some disorder, upon the discovery of a Plot to take away the life of our young Czar, a great many persons have been examined and tortured, but as yet the whole truth does not appear. The late great Chancellor *Artemon Scrogewitz* who was about three months since banished into *Siberia*, is sent for back; and 100 Horse is appointed to bring him hither, and from him it is believed the whole Conspiracy may be discovered. In the mean time all publick affairs are at a stand, and the *Danish* Envoy, the *Sieur Gabel*, has not yet obtained answer to his late Memorial, wherein he used several arguments to induce the Czar to enter into a War against *Sueden*, to which this Court has hitherto shewn very little disposition. Here has for some Weeks past been much talk of a likelihood of a War between Us and the *Poles*, for that the latter insift to have *Kiovia* restored, pursuant to the last Treaty concluded between the two Crowns; but after all it appears to have been without any foundation, and we have good reason to believe that the King of *Poland* will not at this time begin a War with us.

*Genoa, Febr. 10.* We gave you formerly an account that eight *Spanish* Men of War were failed from *Spain*, designed for *Sicily*, and that they had on board near 3000 Land Soldiers; since we have the ill news, that the Admiral, and another Man of War of this Squadron, have been cast away in bad weather on these Coasts,

*Copenhagen, Febr. 13.* The Frost we have had for seven or eight dayes, is now quite broke again; and the Thaw is so great, that we may in few dayes expect to see the *Sound* wholly clear of Ice. Major General *Meecheym*, who commands at *Christianstadt*, continues to make frequent incursions, and very much to incommodate the Enemy thereby; and there is news in Town, that being abroad seven or eight dayes since, he had the good fortune to meet with a *Suedish* Party, who served as a Convoy to several pieces of Cannon, taken from us in the last Fight, and which the *Suedes* were sending to *Stockholme*; that he defeated the said Party, and took the Cannon. The Heer Troop will certainly part from hence the next Week for *Holland*; and the Equipage of the Men of War our King intends to put to Sea, advances apace. Yesterday arrived here the Duke de *Croy*.

*Vienna, Febr. 14.* The preparations of War are carried on with all possible vigor and diligence, and here is much discourse of the great Army the Emperor will have this Campaign. Here has been a report in Town, as if the Rebels of *Hungary*, upon some new encouragement they have received from abroad, had wholly laid aside the thoughts they had of submitting themselves to the

Emperor; and it is added, that they have caused certain Gentlemen, who were sent to acquaine them that the Emperor had consented to their pardon, to be beheaded; but we are unwilling to give any credit hereunto, or else are apt to believe that those Gentlemen may have fallen into the hands of some Party which was abroad, and that the action will be utterly disowned by those, who made the offer of returning to their duty upon the Emperors pardon. In a day or two we shall be better informed what these reports have of truth in them. We have advice that the Elector of *Bavaria* has given out Commissions for recruiting all the Regiments he has at present on foot.

*Liege, Febr. 15.* Our Magistrates have ordered all the Gates of this City save one to be kept shut, being in some apprehension of the *Dutch* Troops at *Hassel*, by reason of their having not as yet received satisfaction from the Clergy of this Diocess in the point of Contributions. The *French* have finally blown up the Castle of *Limburg*, which hath cost them much pains, because of its situation on a Rock. *Maestricht* is now declared by the *French* to be the Capital of *Limburg*, with a command that all Courts of Judicature, &c. shall be held there for the future.

*Hamburg, Febr. 19.* The 12 instant the Elector of *Brandenburg* arrived at *Magdeburg*, and parted from thence again the next day, purposing to be at *Wesel* the 22 instant. Our Letters from *Denmark* bring not any thing of moment, they still speak of the great preparations that are making there for an early Campaign; that the King of *Sueden* was not gone for *Gottenburg*, as some Letters have formerly mentioned, but that he had his quarters in a small Village called *Woe*, near *Christianstadt*; that he expected a considerable reinforcement from *Sueden*; and that upon their arrival in the Army, we might hear of some farther action. There are some Letters which speak of the death of *Griffenfeldt*, alias *Schoenmacher*, in his Prison at *Copenhagen*.

*Strasbourg, Febr. 19.* Two or three dayes since we had an account that the Sieur de *Monclaus*, and the Sieur de *la Brosse*, were returned to *Brissac*; and that they were preparing to lay a Bridge over the *Rhine* at *Bourker* above *Brissac*; and this day we receive advice, that a Body of *French* have passed the *Rhine* there, and are marched into *Brissac*, with designs as is believed, to ruine the Countrey, that the Imperial Troops may not draw any subsistence from thence. The *French* have quitted *Dunspont*, and have burnt greatest part of the Town, the Garrison that was there is marched to *Metz*.

*Cologne, Febr. 23.* The Duke of *Neuburg* is expected at *Dusseldorp* the latter end of this Week. The meeting his Highness had with the Elector of *Bavaria*, has not had the effect we had promised our selves, for his Electoral Highness will not be persuaded to depart from the resolution he has taken to remain Neutral in the present War; which that he may be able to do with greater security, his Electoral Highness has given out Commissions for the recruiting his old Regiments, and raising some new. The Elector of *Brandenburg* was expected yesterday

yet Saturday at *Wesel*; and we are told that the Duke of *Neuburg* will likewise go thither, to be present at the Conferences that will be held there with the Prince of *Orange*. Among other things, it is said, they will concert the keeping a Body of an Army, to bridle the Garrison of *Maastricht*, which will otherwise be extreme troublesome to the Neighbouring Countries. From *Francfort* the Letters we receive by the last Ordinary inform us, that the *French* have actually quitted *Deuxponts*, and that the Garrison was marched to *Lorraine*. The *French* fortifie *Metz* and *Nancy*, and give the Boors that come in to work 12 Solz per day.

*Hague*, Febr. 16. Don *Emanuel de Lyra*, the Spanish Envoy, is returned hither from *Brussels*, where he hath been some time in expectation of receiving the monies due to this State, for the Equipage of the Squadron that served in *Sicily*. The Marquis de *Grana* is likewise expected to arrive here very suddenly, and then a meeting will be held of the Ministers of the several Allies, for the concerting the measures to be observed during the approaching Campaign. The 22 instant, the Elector of *Brandenburg* was expected at *Wesel*, and it's believed his Highness the Prince of *Orange* would be there in few days after. In the mean time the Cavalry of his Highness's Army has Orders to begin to march the 2d of the next month, and a great number of Boats is preparing to transport the Infantry by Water to the place appointed for their Rendezvous. From *Flanders* we have an account, that a Body of 2 or 3000 *French* had come to the Canal of *Brussels*, with design to have cut certain Sluyces, and by that means drowned the Country, but that they were prevented by the Troops which the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* had posted for the guard and security of the said Sluyces. The States have resolved to fit out a Squadron of Men of War to serve in the *Baltick* this Summer, according to the report of the Deputies of the Admiralty. We are told that the Emperor has lately written a Letter to the States, in which he assures them, that he will have a very powerful Army in the Field, and that as early as the season will permit, and that the same shall act for the good of the common Alliance, pursuant to what shall be concerted by the Allies.

*Brussels*, Febr. 24. The *French* are within these two days come very near this City, yesterday morning a party came to *Gaesberg*, and plundered the Castle there; this morning they came in a very considerable Body to *Grimberg* (which is about a League and half from hence) and their Parties came almost under our Walls; upon which, the Country people repair hither, and to other strong places, in great numbers. And seeing the Enemy is come so near our Canal, and seems to have a design to hinder our Commerce, his Excellency the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* sent the last night a detachment of Spanish and Dutch Troops to *Vilward*, to be in readiness there to oppose the Enemies attempts; and at the same time Expresses were sent to *Mafines* and *Louvain*, with command to the Troops that are there, to hold themselves ready to march upon the first orders they shall receive. His Excellency has now wholly put off his journey to *Flanders*, apprehending that the Enemy might hinder his return hither. There is now very little discourse of the Siege of *St. Omer*, but on the contrary people begin now to fear that the Enemy have an intention to attack this City, *Mafines* or *Louvain*. A short time will fully inform us.

*Antwerp*, Febr. 25. We are from all hands alarmed with the motions of the *French*, who will, in all appearance, attack some of the places in these Provinces, before we shall be able to come into the Field to oppose them. From *Brussels* they write, that the *Burgundian* Regiment, consisting in 400 Men, was got safely into *Mons*, which place it was believed the *French* intended to besiege; but at present we are of another opinion, and have reason to think that the Enemy will fall into the Province of *Brabant*. Our last Letters from *Paris* give

us an account that the King intended to part from thence the 28 of this month, on his journey towards these Provinces. We are assured that the Prince of *Orange* has appointed a Rendezvous of the Forces which are to compose his Army on the 10 of the next month; and that his Highness intends to lose no time, but to march immediately for the defence of these Countries, and in the mean time his Excellency the Duke de *Villa Hermosa*, will draw a Body of an Army together, to watch the designs of the Enemy.

*Paris*, Febr. 27. On Wednesday last the Marquis de *Louvois* parted from hence by Post for *Flanders*. Yesterday marched the Kings Musketeers, and this morning the Regiment of Guards, and to morrow morning his Majesty begins his journey towards *Flanders*; he will lodge the first night at *Chovis*, a League beyond *Compiègne*, which is about 23 Leagues from hence. On Thursday last his Majesty nominated 13 Lieutenant Generals, 24 Marschals de Camp, and 29 Erigadiers, to command his Forces this next Campaign. From *Marseilles* of the 16 instant, they write, That there was arrived a Vessel from *Messina*, the Master whereof reports, that the Admiral and Viceadmiral of the Squadron of Spanish Men of War, which sailed from *Finale*, were cast away, and that all the Seamen and Soldiers, which were on board, to the number of 1500, were all drowned; that the rest of that Squadron had put into *Portolongone*; and that the Duke de *Vivonne* had sent 8 Men of War to Cruise near *Portolongone*, to attack the said Spanish Men of War, when they put to Sea again. From *Alsace* we have an account, that the 10 instant, the *French* Garrison marched out of *Hagenaw*, after having destroyed greatest part of the Town, and the next day arrived at *Saverie*, which place, as likewise *Molsheim* and *Obernheim*, will be demolished. The Sieur de *Fay* is arrived at *Brifac*, and has taken upon him the Government of that place, and the Sieur du *Roy* is gone to command at *Metz*. From *Madrid* we have Letters of the 30 instant, which say, that Don *Fuán* of *Austria* does with great pains and assiduity apply himself to settle the affairs of the Monarchy, which he had found in great disorder; that several persons of quality, who had adhered to Don *Valenzuela* Marquis de *Villa Sijra*, were banished the Court; that the King had revoked the Grant by which he conferred the quality of Marquis and title of Grandee of Spain upon Don *Valenzuela*, against whom Proceeds would be made, as guilty of many and high misdemeanors; that the Admiral of *Castile* had been obliged to restore a considerable Sum of Money, and several Jewels of a great value, which were in his hands, belonging to Don *Valenzuela*, whose Lady was confined to a Monastery at *Tolledo*; that the Troops which came with Don *Fuán*, were on their march towards *Catalonia*, under the command of the Count de *Montercy*; that the Count de *Montesarchio* had not yet been at *Madrid*, but stayed at a place ten Leagues from *Madrid*, in expectation of the Kings pardon for his miscarriage in *Sicily*.

#### Advertisements.

HIS Majesty having been pleased, upon the decease of *George Thorpe* and *John Thorpe* Esquires, to grant unto *Roger Kijlegrew* Esq; the place of Water Bayliff, to have the oversight of the River of *Thames* between *Staines* and *Cynewester* in *Gloucestershire*, and to correct all faults and misdemeanors committed by the Fishermen or others. These are to give Notice, that on the first of *March* next, Mr *Kijlegrew* or his Deputy does intend to go up the River, to execute the said Office according to ancient Custom.

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WHEREAS there hath been lately discovered a way to cleanse Trefoil or Hopp-Claver Seed from its husks and other ill Seeds, &c. by *Rich. Haines* of *Sullington* in *Suffex*; By means of which, it is become much better for certain growing, and profitable Crops, insomuch that some Land not worth 6 s. per Acre for Pasture, may be improved to the value of 30 s. per Acre. These are to certify, That the said Seeds so cleans'd, are to be sold, with Bills of direction more at large shewing the advantage thereof, by Mr. *Thomas Masserfield* at the *Cross-Ket* in *Lombard-street*, and Mr. *William Lewis* at the *Naked Boy* in the  *Strand*, and not elsewhere in *London*.